

HOUSE RESOLUTION 97
By Ferguson

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize James Ethan Billings,
2005 Salutatorian of Rockwood High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, James Ethan Billings is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class at Rockwood High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, James Ethan Billings has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Billings has earned an exemplary 3.9 grade point average and has won National History and English Awards; and

WHEREAS, active in school sports and clubs, James Billings has played varsity football for four years, and he is a member of Beta Club; and

WHEREAS, selected to *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, James Billings has received the 3-D (Desire, Dedication, and Determination) Football Award, and he has also participated in the History Bowl, Operation Reach and the Roane State Academic Festival; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Billings' display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Billings plans to attend Roane State Community College and major in pre-medicine radiology; and

WHEREAS, James Ethan Billings' noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Jack Wayne Billings and Sandra Bowman Billings, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Billings' dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor 2005 Rockwood High School Salutatorian, James Ethan Billings, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.